

HOUSE No. 898

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act relative to diagnostic screening for prostate cancer. ..

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, every contract
2 which provides coverage for hospital, surgical or medical care shall provide the following
3 coverage for diagnostic screening for prostatic cancer:(i) upon the recommendation of a
4 physician, medically recognized diagnostic testing including, but not limited to, a digital rectal
5 examination, transrectal ultrasonography and prostate-specific antigen test at any age for covered
6 persons having a prior history of prostate cancer; and (ii) an annual medically recognized
7 diagnostic examination including, but not limited to, a digital rectal examination, trans-rectal
8 ultrasonography and a prostate-specific antigen test for all men aged forty and over.